# A HEAVENLY REST

"THERE REMAINETH THEREFORE A REST TO THE PEOPLE OF GOD" (HEBREWS 4:9)

Blessed be God, a rest remains

From sin and sorrow, grief and pains,—An undefiled rest in heaven,

With all the just through Christ forgiven.

This sinful world is not our rest:

A wicked heart is here a pest: The scenes within and scenes without Subject us oft to fear and doubt.

Bondage and darkness cause us grief,

An evil heart of unbelief; An adversary close at hand,

Whose arts are hard to understand.

But now and then our hearts are bless'd

By faith to enter into rest; In what Eternal Love has done

Through God the Father's own dear Son.

The love of Christ. His life and death.

Received are by precious faith; Thus the believer knows he's blest,

And sweetly enters into rest.

But soon his rest disturbed is:

He loses for a while the bliss; Gropes for what's lost,

as one that's blind, And seeks for Christ, but cannot find.

Then, favour'd with the life of faith,

He rests in Jesus' life and death; And then his soul,

so long distress'd, "Returns and enters into rest." — COPIED

### **CALENDAR 2019 / 2020**

**UP COMING EVENTS** 

**Fellowship Luncheon January 5th** (At the parsonage)

**Grace Conference** Feb 21, 22, 23

**Donnie Bell, Don Fortner** 

### RECENT PUBLICATIONS

### bookshelf.sovereigngrace.us

**Useless Kinds of Religion, J.C. Ryle** Spiritual Autobiography, Joseph Hart Prodigal Blessing Joseph Hart, J. A. Kingham

"Prove all things..." / "Examinadlo todo..."

### librero.iglesiadegracia.us

Artículos de Gracia 2018, Joseph D Murphy Las ovejas oyen la Voz, Cody Groover Inmundo o Santo, Joseph D Murphy

If the Lord puts it on your heart, visit us and "Come and see" / Si el Señor quiere, "Ven y ve"

## BULETN #146 / December 22nd, 2019 SOVEREIGN GRACE CHURCH in New Ganey, Texas SovereignGraceChurch.us

...Where is He that is born King of the Jews? for we have seen His star in the east, and are come to worship Him (MATTHEW 2:2)



### WELCOME

Sinners are welcome at our church. We are a local body of the Lord Jesus Christ. As you spend time with us, you'll soon discover we're an imperfect church, with an imperfect pastor, yet by God's underserved grace, we preach, believe, and know the perfect gospel of our never failing Lord Jesus Christ. Reader, we call His name JESUS for HE SHALL (not might, not maybe) rather HE SHALL save His people from their sins. And beloved believing sinner you already know it — you are complete in Him, saved to the uttermost.

"Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners" JOSEPH D MURPHY, PASTOR

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Sunday, 10 AM 1 TIMOTHY **ENGLISH** 

Sunday, 11 AM **PSALMS ENGLISH** 

Domingo, 6 PM **ROMANOS ESPAÑOL** 

Wednesday, 7 PM 1 CORINTHIANS **ENGLISH** 

#### SERVICE TIMES

#### **ENGLISH**

**Bible Classes** Sun, 10 AM **Worship Service Sun, 11 AM Bible Study** Wed, 7 PM

**ESPAÑOL** 

Servicio de Adoración Dom, 6 PM

### **AUDIO PODCASTS**

#### **AVAILABLE ON ITUNES AND GOOGLE PLAY**

**Purposed Grace Sermons Purposed Grace Articles** 

**DISPONIBLE EN ITUNES Y GOOGLE PLAY** 

Propósito y Gracia, Sermones Propósito y Gracia, Artículos

NURSERY AVAILABLE FOR 4 YEARS OLD AND YOUNGER / GUARDERÍA DISPONIBLE

#### RECENT PODCASTS

## **RECENT SERMONS**

The Wrath of man... (PSALM 76) Is Christ divided (1 CORINTHIANS 1:9-18) Remembrance of Him... (LUKE 22:19-20)

### **SERMONES RECIENTES**

Justificado por Fe (Rom 3:24) Cristo vino para salvar... (1 TIM 1:15) **Nacimiento Nuevo** (JUAN 3:7)

#### **DIRECTIONS**

We are situated 1 mile south of the Denny's Restaurant located right by the corner of US Highway 59 and State Highway 242.

Show up early and have a cup of coffee with us! 9:30 & 10:30 AM





# **HE LOVED THE PEOPLE**

"YEA, HE LOVED THE PEOPLE..." (DEUTERONOMY 33:3)

And why did He love them? Because He foreknew That the people He chose would be loyal and true? Or was there more native integrity found In Israel of old than the nations around?

O no! They were rebels, corrupt from their birth; The Lord they forsook for the gods of the earth. Although by His bounty protected and fed, They left Him, and bow'd down to demons instead.

I often have wonder'd their hearts were so base; Yet find in myself the same desperate case. No cause for His goodness and mercy to me, Through the whole of my life to this hour can I see.

My sins, since He brought me to trust in His name, And grievous backslidings, o'erwhelm me with shame; And had He not loved for some reason unknown, My hope, in despair, would have long been o'er thrown.

Adored be the Father, the fountain of grace, Who gave all His chosen a name and a place In the church of the Firstborn, and loved them so well, That He sent His own Son to redeem them from hell.

And blessings for ever ascribe to the Lamb!
By grace and free favour I am what I am!
The price of my pardon He paid with His blood,
And gave me His Spirit to bring me to God.
Before the round world on its axis was hung,

Or the morning stars their first anthem had sung, His people were loved; and they ever shall be The loved of His heart, for no changes knows He.

Rejoice, then, believers! For Jesus is yours;
The covenant of peace your salvation secures.
The work of eternal redemption is done,
Commenced and completed by Jesus alone. — **COPIED** 



# **REGENERATE OR NOT?**

"OF HIM ARE YE IN CHRIST JESUS, WHO OF GOD IS MADE UNTO US WISDOM, AND RIGHTEOUSNESS, AND SANCTIFICATION, AND REDEMPTION" (1 CORINTHIANS 1:30)

How can a man bless God for that which he is uncertain, whether he has received it from Him or not? I know some men run on in a road in this matter. They will bless God, in a formal way, for their regeneration, sanctification, justification, and the like; but if you ask them whether themselves are regenerate or not, they will be ready to scoff at it; or, at least, to profess that they know no such thing. What is this but to mock God, and in a presumptuous manner to take His name in vain? — **JOHN OWEN** 

# THE BORN OF GOD

"AS MANY AS RECEIVED HIM, TO THEM GAVE HE POWER TO BECOME THE SONS OF GOD, EVEN TO THEM THAT BELIEVE ON HIS NAME: WHICH WERE BORN, NOT OF BLOOD, NOR OF THE WILL OF THE FLESH, NOR OF THE WILL OF MAN, BUT OF GOD." (JOHN 1:12-13)

So long as men are strangers to the spiritual nature of God's law, and to the woeful depravity of the human heart, they entertain a meager notion of religion, and a lofty thought of their own ability. If Christian faith be nothing but a mere assent to the gospel history, every man may make himself a true believer when he pleases. And if Christian duty only consist in Sunday service, with a pittance of sobriety, and honesty, and charity, we might expect that men would vaunt of will and power to make themselves religious. [Nevertheless] His elect "were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God" (John 1:13)]

"BUT NOW THEY DESIRE A BETTER COUNTRY, THAT IS, AN HEAVENLY: WHEREFORE GOD IS NOT ASHAMED TO BE CALLED THEIR GOD: FOR HE HATH PREPARED FOR THEM A CITY" (HEBREWS 11:16)

Grace is the blossom-bud of glory and a work of grace upon the heart is a needful preparation for glory. By grace men are brought into the school of Christ, and bound apprentices for heaven. In this school they learn to walk with God, to love Him, and to serve Him—to be strangers upon earth, and to seek a better country; looking for the coming of the Son of God. These are some scripture marks of the heirs of glory. Do you find them in your breast? — **JOHN BERRIDGE**